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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR §1.136**

Applicant hereby requests a one (1) month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed by the Patent and Trademark Office on July 15, 1997. Accordingly, enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00 in view of the applicant's small entity status to cover the appropriate fee pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §1.136(a) and as set forth in 37 CFR §1.17(a). This request will extend the period for response from October 15, 1997 up to and including November 15, 1997.

Please also charge any additional fees and credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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